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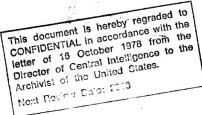
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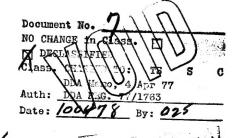
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SUPPLEMENT

- 1. The CDU and the LDP are not interested in organizing their own youth organizations. To the best of source's knowledge, neither in Berlin, nor in the Russian Occupied Zone, have these parties applied for permission to have their own youth groups. The policy of both parties has been, and is to be, represented by forceful party members in the different youth organizations. The CDU is, for instance, represented in the Europa-Jugend by Keul, Kolandzik, and Heinz Friedl; in the BDJ by Heinz Beer; in the DJV by Harald Muller; in the FDJ by Rita Wrusch.
- 2. If any desire for separate youth organizations should have been voiced, it was undoubtedly made to counteract a SED request for the admission of the SAJ. However, even if the SAJ should be admitted, the CDU at least would not insist on having its own organization but would rather operate through the FDGB youth organization.
- 3. Rumors are increasing that the SED is making preparations to establish its own youth organization and this is thought to be the reason why a number of capable SED youth officials were withdrawn from the FDJ. such a move would find favor with the "Politburo" in Moscow, since Moscow favors inter-party organizations.

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- 4. The opposition within the FDJ still centers around CDU elements. Many members have retained a certain independent attitude, notably the FDJ Hamburg.
- 5. Official statistics disclose that the first wave of enthusiasm is on the wane and that at the present time only approximately thirty percent of members are attending meetings and social functions. In the district of Lübau/Saxony, attendance dwindled to about ten percent.





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